

VA CPE PROGRAM OPTIONS:

I am interested in:

_____ **1 year In Residence (4 Units)** (no orders) with stipend at certain regional VA Centers.

_____ **Extended (1 Unit)** (24-30 weeks) (no orders and no stipend) at various VA Centers.

_____ **Intensive (1 Unit)** (11-12 weeks) (no orders and no stipend) at various VA Centers.

*No tuition costs will be assessed at any of the various VA locations as long as applicants coordinate their application with ARNG.

** Preference will be given to NG Chaplains at VA locations

*** A minimal ACPE registration fee is required and payable by the applicant

****Utilize Tuition Assistance (TA) for CPE that is part of an academic certificate program at an ACPE & ARNG FTA recognized college, university or accredited seminary. Contact your service specific POC or your state Education Services Officer for this information.

CONCURRENCES:

Chaplain Concurrence (signature)

JFHQ Chaplain Concurrence (signature)

Email preferred .

or

FAX to: **703-607-4630**

or

Mail to:

ARNG-CSO-CH

**111 S. George Mason Drive
Arlington, VA 22204-1373**

The VA Clinical Pastoral Education Program is accredited by the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc., located at:

1549 Clairmont Road, Suite 103,
Decatur, GA 30033,
404-320-1472.
www.acpe.edu

Please refer to the NGB-OC web page at:

<http://chaplain.ng.mil>

and

the VA Chaplains web page at:

<http://www.va.gov/chaplain/cpe>

The VA CPE webpage has the ACPE application and directory of VA Regional Centers with CPE programs.

For further information

ARNG-CSO-CH POC:

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VA CPE Program for ARNG



What is Clinical Pastoral Education?

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) is interfaith professional education for ministry. It brings theological students and ministers into supervised encounters with persons in crisis. Out of an intense involvement with persons in need and the feedback from peers and teachers, students develop a new awareness of themselves as persons and of the needs for whom they minister. From theological reflection on specific human situations, students gain a new understanding of ministry. Within the interdisciplinary team process of helping persons, students develop skills in interpersonal and interprofessional relationships.

In Clinical Pastoral Education you will learn how to:

- Offer relief to the suffering,
- Care for the dying,
- Cope with crisis,
- Minister to family members,
- Listen,
- Help heal the hurts,
- Think for yourself,
- Improve your interpersonal skills,
- Teach others to be caregivers,
- Put your theology into practice,
- Minister on a health-care team,
- Be a good steward of your talents.

You will learn practical matters that will help you throughout your professional career. When visiting the sick, many persons ask these questions:

- How do I introduce myself?
- What should I do in the room?
- Should I pray? For what?
- What scriptures should I use?
- What does a patient really need?
- How can I talk to a stranger about matters of life and death?
- What can I offer the terminally ill, and what should I do if they die?

CPE can help you discover yourself and your answers to these questions and much more.

VA CPE Website:

<http://www1.va.gov/chaplain/cpe>

A Residency Year Program

An opportunity to complete four units of CPE (APC Board Certified Chaplain requirement). This program has a stipend and benefits include holidays, paid vacation and sick leave, and health care coverage at employee rates.

A Part-Time Extended Program

This is a single unit of CPE which takes place over a 24-30 week period. It may be recognized for degree credit or taken by clergy or lay pastoral caregivers for professional enrichment.

An Intensive Program

This is a single unit of CPE which takes place over an 11-12 week period. This program is designed to facilitate an opportunity for seminary students and others to meet degree requirements for a unit of CPE during the months between school years.

ACCREDITATION!



CPE PROGRAM

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Full Name (First Name, MI, Last Name, Rank)

Mailing Address:

Work phone:

Home phone:

Cell Phone:

E-mail:

Unit:

Military E-Mail:

DSN:

CC Name:

JFHQ Chaplain:

MRD (mandatory retirement date):

Dates and locations of Past and Future Deployments:

Date available to enter CPE Program:

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